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Budget Allocation for ISRO
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Will the Minister of SPACE be pleased to state:

(a) the budget allocation made by the Government for space research in the country during the last three years along with its percentage comparison with GDP, year-wise;
(b) whether our allocation is very low as compared to other developing and developed countries;
(c) if so, the details thereof;
(d) whether any proposal is under consideration of the Government to increase the budgetary allocation later this year and also in the coming years and to make India in facing the challenges of space preparedness; and
(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PG & PENSIONS AND IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (DR. JITENDRA SINGH):

(a) The budget allocation of Department of Space, during the last three years along with its percentage comparison with GDP, year-wise, are given below:
(Rs. in crores)

Financial Year	Budget Allocation (RE)	GDP*	Budget Estimates as % Share in GDP
2013-14	5172.00	9839434	0.05%
2014-15	5826.00	10552151	0.06%
2015-16	6959.44	11350962	0.06%

* Source: Economic Survey, 2015-16

(b)&(c) As per the report "Space Economy at a Glance 2014", published by Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), developed countries like USA, Russia and France have higher space budget in terms of percentage comparison with their respective GDPs, as given under:
USA − GDP: $ 16660 billion; Space Budget: $ 39.33 billion; % Share in GDP: 0.23%
Russia − GDP: $ 2097 billion; Space Budget: $ 5.27 billion; % Share in GDP: 0.25%
France − GDP: $ 2806 billion; Space Budget: $ 2.71 billion; % Share in GDP: 0.10%
Apart from these three countries, India's space budget, as percentage share of GDP, is comparable with other developed & developing countries, which is in the range of 0.05% to 0.07%.

(d) Yes Madam.

(e) During current financial year 2016-17, an amount of Rs.7509.14 Crores has been allocated for Indian Space programme. An additional allocation of Rs.750 Crores has been sought to meet the programmatic requirements targeted during 2016-17. The budgetary allocations required for Indian Space programme to meet the future challenges and space preparedness is under preparation.

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